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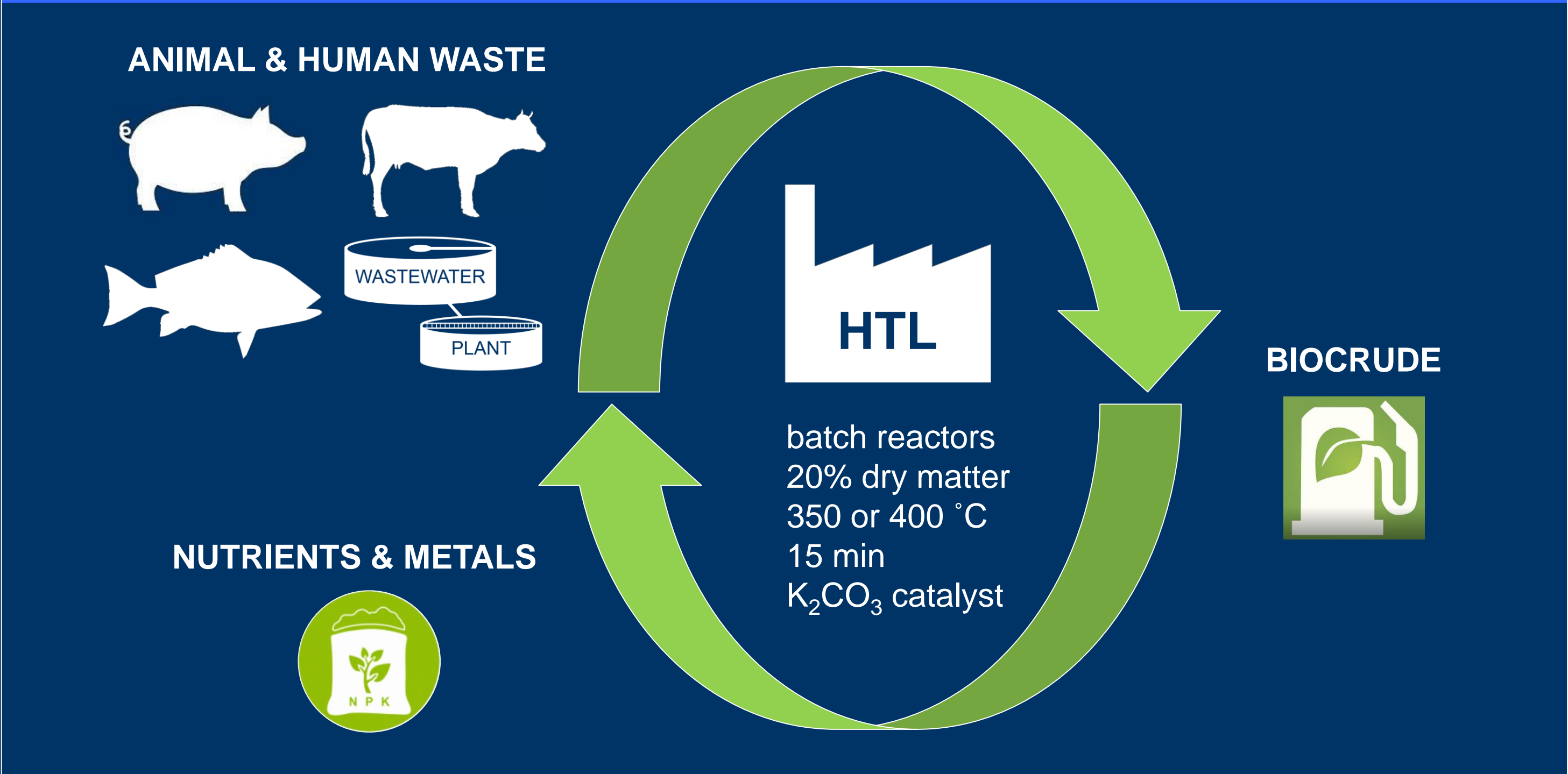
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1. FROM WASTES TO BIOCRUDE THROUGH HTL

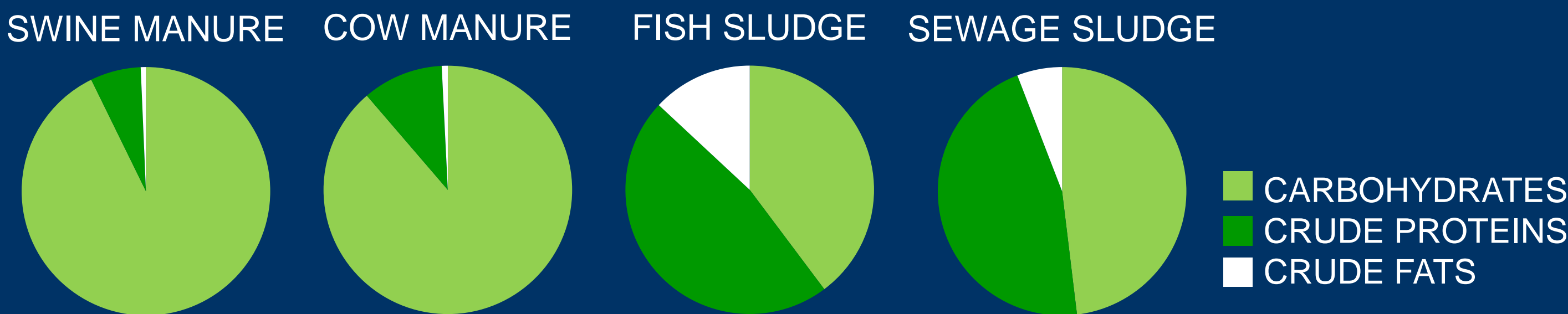


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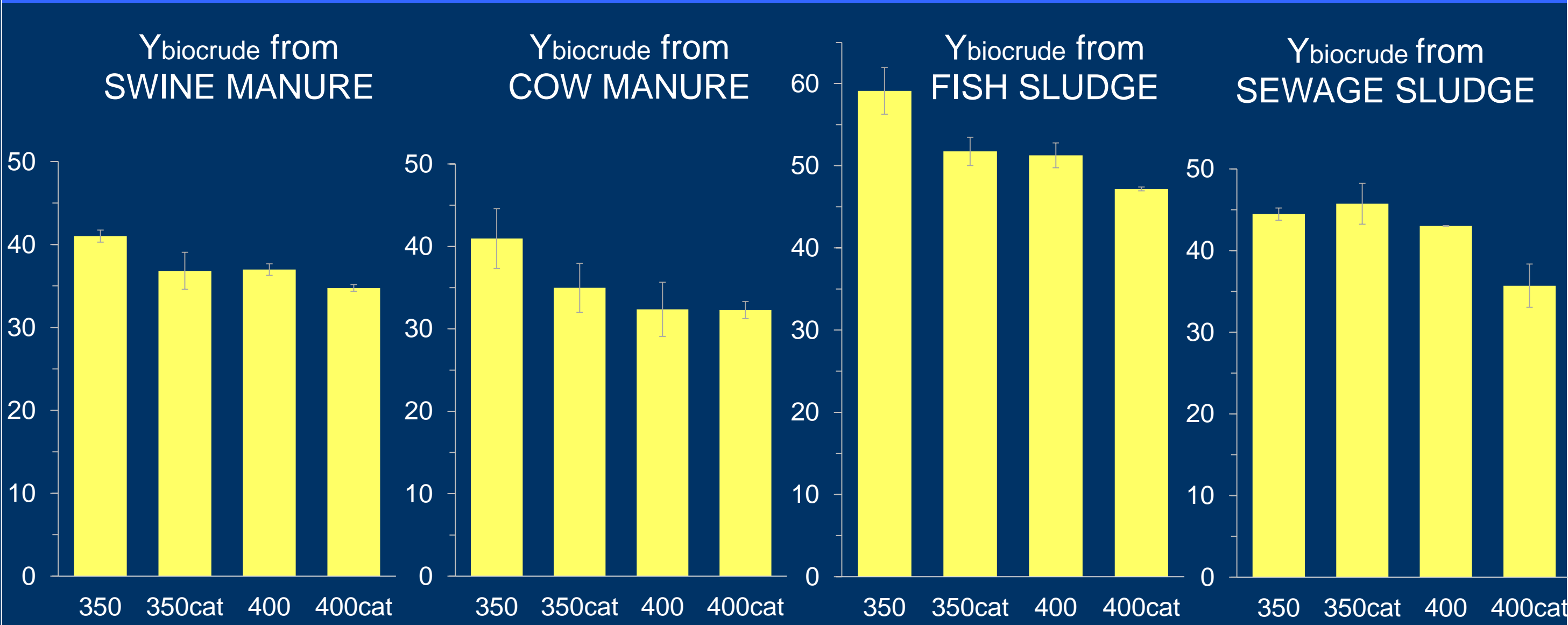
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SWINE MANURE	75.5	11.4	48.9	6.6	1.1	43.4	0.4
COW MANURE	63.0	6.6	49.6	6.6	1.7	42.1	0.3
FISH SLUDGE	5.6	22.1	53.5	8.1	7.6	30.8	0.4
SEWAGE SLUDGE	78.6	23.2	46.4	7.6	7.4	38.6	0.5

* O = 100-C-H-N

** S is measured by ICP



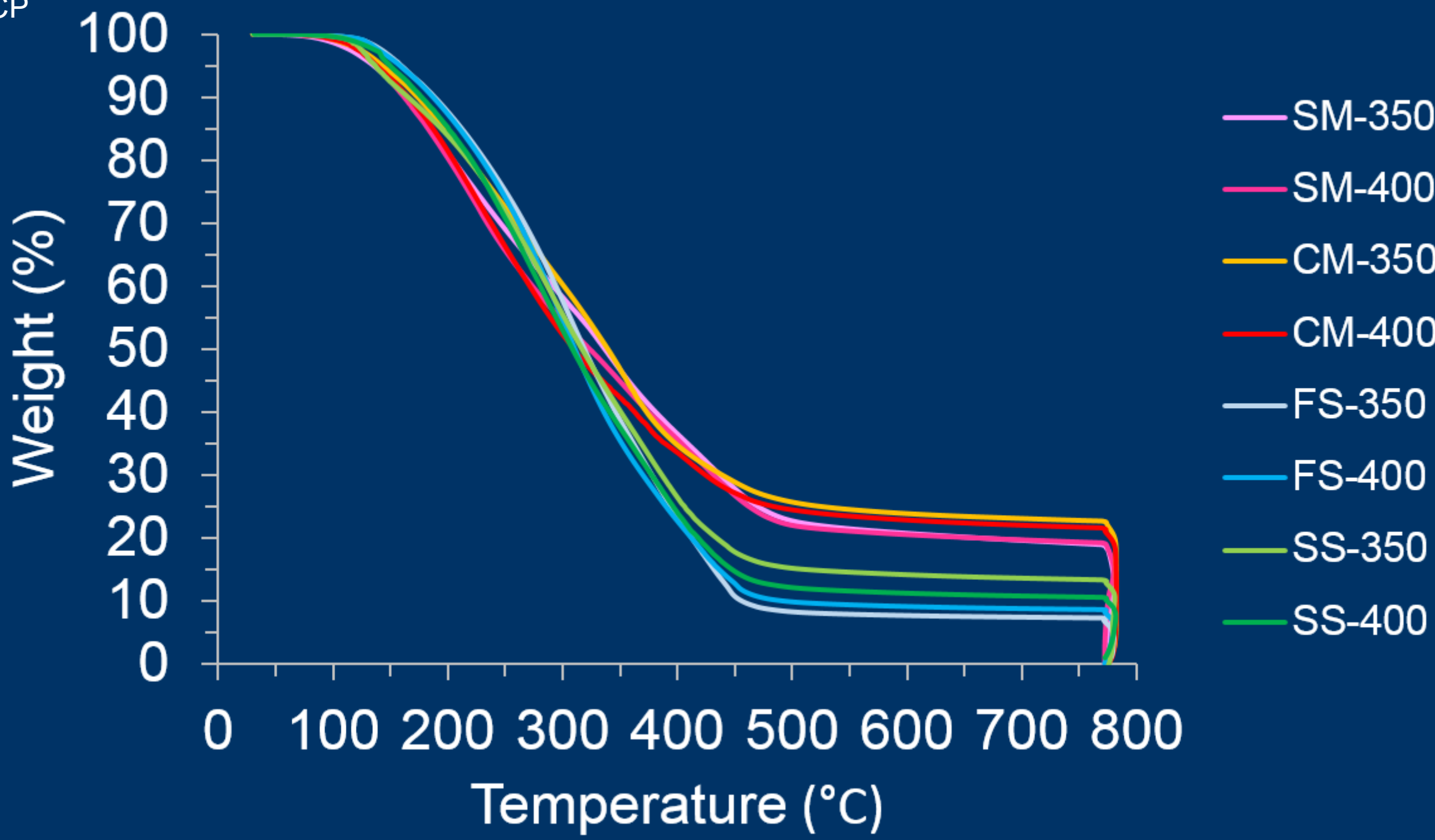
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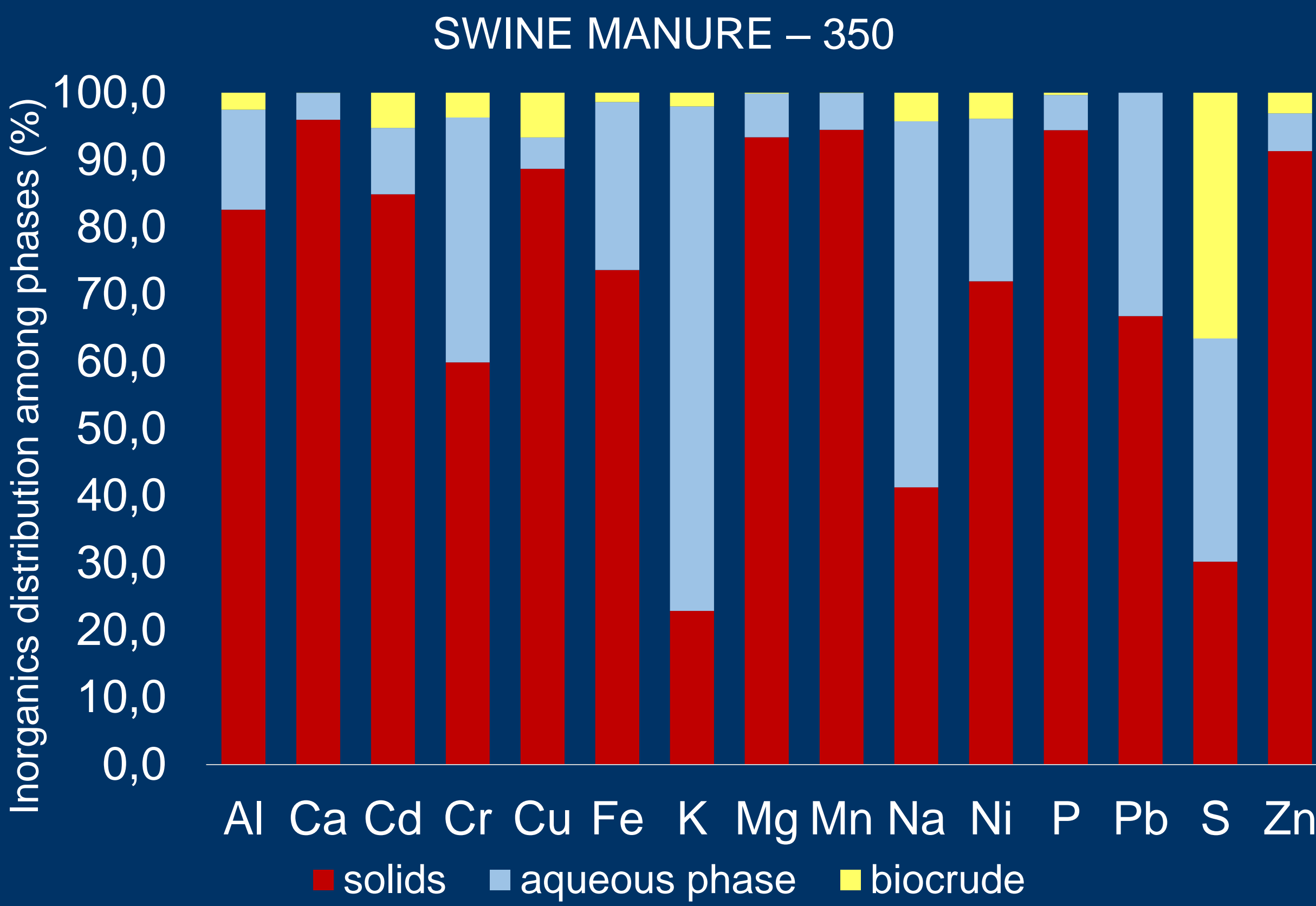
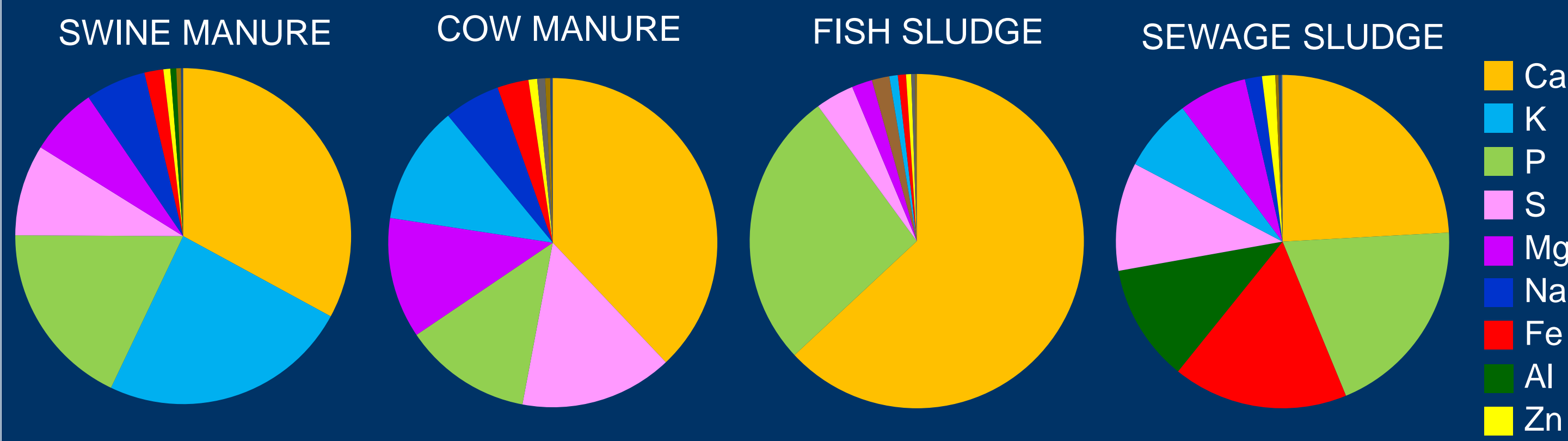
		BIOCRUDE						
		C (%) daf	H (%) daf	N (%) daf	O* (%) daf	S** (%) db	Crec (-)	Erec (-)
SWINE MANURE	350	66.3	7.7	2.5	23.5	0.5	55.6	62.1
	350 CAT	71.3	8.4	3.1	17.3	0.5	53.6	61.6
	400	70.9	8.4	3.1	17.7	0.6	53.6	61.5
	400 CAT	75.6	9.1	3.0	12.3	0.5	53.7	63.3
COW MANURE	350	64.5	9.4	2.0	24.2	0.4	53.2	66.5
	350 CAT	73.2	8.5	2.9	15.4	0.4	51.6	62.2
	400	71.6	8.2	2.6	17.6	0.5	46.7	55.6
	400 CAT	76.0	8.9	2.6	12.5	0.4	49.5	60.4
FISH SLUDGE	350	71.7	10.5	7.0	10.9	0.4	79.2	91.8
	350 CAT	72.6	10.6	7.1	9.7	0.4	70.2	81.4
	400	73.1	10.4	6.9	9.6	0.4	70.1	80.7
	400 CAT	74.0	10.2	7.2	8.7	0.3	65.2	74.5
SEWAGE SLUDGE	350	73.0	10.5	5.2	11.3	0.8	69.9	74.3
	350 CAT	73.3	10.9	5.0	10.8	0.7	72.2	77.7
	400	72.0	10.1	5.6	12.3	1.0	66.7	70.0
	400 CAT	73.1	10.9	5.5	10.6	0.7	56.2	60.4

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4. INORGANICS IN THE FEEDSTOCK AND THEIR DISTRIBUTION AMONG HTL PRODUCTS



5. CONCLUSIONS

- Higher biocrude yields are achieved at subcritical conditions (350 °C) for all feedstock.
- Supercritical conditions (400 °C) and the addition of a catalyst (K₂CO₃) result in a better biocrude quality (lower oxygen content), especially for manure-derived biocrudes.
- Fish and sewage sludge biocrudes are lighter than manure-derived biocrudes (from TGA).
- Inorganics tend to distribute among HTL products in a similar manner for all feedstock and regardless from the processing conditions: most inorganics are recovered in the solids, K and Na are mainly in the aqueous phase, while S is found in all product phases.